

11-18-05

Region 17

Attendees

Lana Tobin
Bonita Mattingly
Melinda Berry
Leslie Rowland
Lisa Bowles
Herb Gordon
Darlene McBride
David Galloway
Connie Branch
Susan Lesko
William Weikert
Mary Alice Manley

MINUTES

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Introductions held. Review of council membership requirements were reviewed by Facilitator, Susan Lesko. History given of the council origination and purpose of such. Each county will keep their own money, but this should allow for more services to expand throughout the region. Any service available should be available to all counties in region, even if not same provider. An IN regional map was given. Same standards for each provider will be implemented. Eventually all services will be reviewed by this committee. The four P's which are Preventative, Preservation, Placement and Post Permanency were reviewed. Different examples were given. A community network is also part of the plan. Voluntary services will be changing to allow a community network service where FCM's do not monitor the family but just the contract. This would allow for families to not have to work directly with DCS or probation.

Funding Streams.

RM Susan Lesko gave a brief presentation on all funding streams available to DCS, how they interact with one another and what could be utilized by the RSC. A handout was provided to all in attendance.

Existing County Services:

Crawford- Reg. Youth services; Providence House; GAL; Child Care Coop; Comfort House; Trustee; LHDC; Southern Hills; Counsel House; Dr. Winsch, Recovery Care Center; Health Dept.; Healthy Families; First Steps; IV D support, Next Step, NA/AA; Clark County Youth Shelter; DARE; Floyd County Youth Shelter, Kidability, Domestic Violence Task Force Team, Hoosier Hills Pact, Environmental Safety Technology Inc., SAD Program, Crawford County Drug Free Council, Youth Service Bureau, Angel Tree, Crawford County Prevent Child Abuse Council, Jasper Engines Presents, Jasper Rubber Presents, Villages, Crawford County Ministerial Assoc., and an after school program.

Martin- IYAP; Samaritan Center; GAL; GAL advised family court grant has been applied for and so far positive results for Orange, Martin, and Crawford.

Spencer- LHDC; Samaritan Center; Stephanie Savage Counseling; Ireland & Luzio; Boys and Girls Club after school program.

Daviess- Ireland & Luzio; Gary and Barb Morgan; Samaritan Center; Alternative School; Children and Family Services, IYAP

Perry- LHDC; Stephanie Savage; Catholic Services; AA; Southern Hills; Agap; Perry County Hospital; SAFE kids; After school programs.

Orange- Even Start; Alternative School; EFNEP; Extension office; FACT (Families and Community Together); PACT (Prisoner's and Community Together); Victim offender reconciliation program; Southern Hills; Child Care Coop; WIC; SOAR (literacy)

Dubois- Southern Hills; Ireland & Luzio; CASA, Memorial Hospital Counseling, Center Psychology, Wrap Around Services, Teen Wellness, Tri Cap Services, Food Banks

Lists of service providers will be provided to all members of the council.

SERVICE GAPS

Need for teen problems services area. Need a program to make referrals for preteen/teen behavior problems that are not yet criminal or AB/NE.

David, foster parent, said need to step back and watch and observe instead of getting the children and family involved in too many services. He feels that sometimes the counties have the children going in so many directions that they never have time to be kids.

GAL says missing a lot of educational services in community: Divorce education, conflict resolution services, and more coordination, need supervised visitation for more than just CHINS cases, alcohol and drug screening, in home counseling.

NEXT MEETING

Set next meeting for 3rd Friday at 8:00 am at Dubois DCS office -- December 16, 2005.

Future meetings will be set on the 3rd Friday of every month.

Public invited.

Next meeting agenda discussed

- Open Door Policy

- Service Providers

- Opportunities/barriers of the council

- Protocol of the council

- Service Standards

Submitted by

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